

"This is a historic moment for the U.S. special operations and intelligence communities. I highly commend the special operations units who undertook this mission and carried it out with no injuries to women or children inside the compound. The CIA and others in the U.S. intelligence community did a phenomenal job over several months in carrying out this assignment." U.S. Sen. Saxby Chambliss (R-Ga.), vice chairman of the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and member of the U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee.

"We celebrate this victory against an embodiment of evil, and we remember and mourn the thousands of innocents who died at the hands of this murderer. Today, our great nation showed once again that we will stop at nothing to defeat those who threaten our people with terrorism." Gov. Nathan Deal, who was in Congress on Sept. 11, 2001

"This is thanks to a lot of people in our Central Intelligence Agency, the national security agencies and the men and women of the U.S. armed services. It brings to close an unfortunate chapter in American history." U.S. Sen. Johnny Isakson (R-Ga.)

"Today is a great day for Americans. After years of searching for the terrorist behind the most massive strike on American soil since World War II, we have finally killed Osama Bin Laden. This is a huge victory for our troops and I would like to personally thank them for all they have done for us. This historic victory is also due to our Intelligence Community and all of our international partners in the War on Terror. Without their work and support, we would never have been able to achieve this. The backbone of the al-Qaeda is no more." U.S. Rep. Lynn Westmoreland (R-Ga.)

"This achievement will never bring back the lives lost on September 11th or those who have paid the ultimate price while avenging the terrorist attacks on our country -- but Osama Bin Laden's death is a victory for America and we can rest easier tonight thanks to our military. The war on terror and Al Queda needs to remain a top priority so that we can continue to enjoy the freedoms upon which our nation was built." U.S. Rep. Paul Broun (R-Ga.)

"I am not one to rejoice in the death of any person, but Osama Bin Laden took the lives of thousands of innocent people in this country and around the world. He committed heinous crimes that ended the hopes and dreams of many courageous public servants as well as a group of excited young children and dedicated teachers on a field trip to California. Many people

left home for work that day never to return. Today thousands of families are missing their fathers and mothers, sons and daughters due to the violence this man fomented and supported. His terrorism changed not only individual lives, but it promoted an environment of fear and the need for ever-ready security to assure the defense of this nation and others around the world. Even though there is still a great deal of work left to win the struggle against terrorism, I am hopeful that this important moment will create the willingness to open the door to peace and build a pathway to resolve international differences based on an understanding of the unity of all humankind." U.S. Rep. John Lewis (D-Ga.)

"We all remember where we were on September 11th when Al Qaeda attacked our country, but today we have finally brought the mastermind of those terrorist attacks to justice. I congratulate President Obama, our military and the intelligence community for conducting a successful mission to kill Osama Bin Laden in Pakistan. While this is a great moment in the war on terror, the threat from those who wish to harm our country will continue, and we must remain vigilant." U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop (D-Ga.)

"The death of the terror mastermind, Osama bin Laden, is a victory for Americans and all those who believe in the principles of freedom and justice. The horrific attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001 began a relentless pursuit for the death or capture of bin Laden. This news proves that -- no matter how long it takes -- we will not rest until those who kill Americans have been brought to justice. It is testament to the unwavering courage and tireless efforts of our men and women in uniform and the intelligence community that the last 9 years, 7 months, and 20 days have undoubtedly been difficult for bin Laden and his terrorist thugs. While this is a monumental development, we must remember that al Qaeda remains committed to our demise, as do we remain committed to ensuring that terrorists cannot threaten the livelihood of free people." U.S. Rep. Phil Gingrey (R-Ga.)

"Confirmation of the death of Osama bin Laden is welcome news to freedom loving people around the globe. Evil has met justice. The brave men and women of our military forces and intelligence services are to be commended for their defense of our liberty and freedom. May God Bless America." U.S. Rep. Tom Price (R-Ga.)